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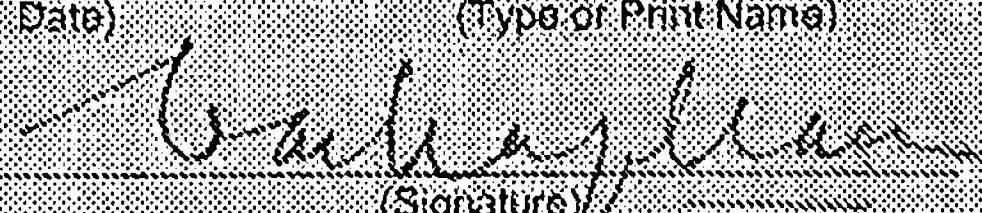
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In response to the outstanding Final Office Action mailed July 19, 2007, please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.